



In A.D. 15, a baby girl was born in a legionary encampment on the banks of the Rhine River. Her father, the famous Roman general Germanicus, was engaged in warfare with the barbarians at that time, intent on recovering the lost eagles of Varus. The girl is known to history as Agrippina the Younger. She was the granddaughter of Augustus' faithful lieutenant Marcus Vipsanius Agrippa. She was also granddaughter by adoption to the Emperor Tiberius. Another grandfather was Drusus the Elder who died fighting barbarians in Germania Superior in 9 B.C. On her mother's side, she was directly descended from Augustus himself. Her brother, Caligula, became an emperor and she was the mother of Nero. She later married her uncle, the Emperor Claudius. In her honor, her birthplace was renamed Colonia Claudia Ara Agrippinensium. Today the place is called Cologne, Germany (Köln). Some of the Roman walls of Colonia Claudia still stand. www.chi-rhogroup.com